## NEARLY FIFTY DEAD

Terrible Storm Wrecks a Large Part of the Town of Kirksville, Mo.

DEMOLISHES EVERYTHING

People Killed and Maimed in the Their Former Homes.

SEARCH FOR THE VICTIMS CONTINUES

Number Are Still Unaccounted For and Their Fate is Uncertain.

MANY MIRACULOUS ESCAPES RECORDED

Come from Neighboring Towns and with Local Physicians Busy Caring for the Injured-Relief Work Organized.

KIRKSVILLE, Mo., April 28 .- As a result of the tornado that swept through the eastern portion of this city yesterday evening, demolishing half of the residences and other buildings, 200 families are homeless and nearly fifty dead bodies and seventy injured persons have been recovered from the ruins. More than a dozen of the injured will die. Although rescuers have been searching the ruins ever since the storm spent its fury many are still missing and it is thought that a considerable number of but it may be days before the total number tive estimate places the aggregate amount of victims is known. tive estimate places the aggregate amount of damage at \$200,000, the individual losses As far as known the names of the dead ranging from \$100 to \$8,000.

and injured are as follows:

## The Death List. ANDERSON, J. K. BILLINGS, DR. BILLINGTON, MRS. HENRY. BOWMAN, MRS. A. R. BOWMAN, DREW

BRIGHAM, THEODORE, ex-merchant, BROWN, MISS LENA, of Moberly. CHILD of Rev. Albert Burr. CHILD OF J. T. MAHAFFEY. CUNNINGHAM, JAMES. ELLIOTT, MRS. FEATHER, SETH, 8-year-old boy. GREEN, MISS BESSIE. GIBBS, C. A.

GIBBS, MRS, C. A. GREEN, MRS. W. W. GLASSE, A. J., AND WIFE. GLASSE, J. A., AND WIFE. HOWELLS, DR. W. B., osteopath. HEAMAN, MRS. LARKIN, J. B., merchant. LITTLE, MRS. CAL. MAHAFFEY, MRS. JOHN, SR. MAHAFFEY, MRS. JOHN T. M'CLAY, F. M., AND WIFE.

MILLER, J. T., MOTHER AND NIECE of. MITCHELL, MISS LOU. MITCHELL, HARRY. M'CLAY, MISS. MILLER, MRS. ANNA. MILLAN, MISS ORA, Woodland, Mo.

THREE CHILDREN OF HENRY LOWE. WEAVER, SAMUEL, ex-contractor. WHALEY MISS LEONA. WHEELER, DR. WOOD, MRS. JOE. WEAVER, JOHN C. WOODS, JOSEPH.

WOODS, MRS.

The Severely Injured. Ashlock, Miss C., bruised about face, Anderson, Mrs. J. R., cuts and bruises. Barnes, Miss Lillie, scalp wounds.

Baker, Mr., head bruised. Billington, Thomas, student, chest bruises. Borden, Mrs. T. S., wrists dislocated. Bowman, Doc A. C., ribs broken, fatal injuries internally.

Brassfield, W. D., badly bruised externally. Braden, Mrs. Thomas and child, lacera-

Bright, Will. Ben A. Bowman's daughter. Brigham, Mrs. Theodore, legs and chest crushed.

Brigham, V., serious. Byrnes, Mrs. Lulu Chaney, M., head and hand injured

Chaney, Mrs. M., injured about head and arm, slight. Cal Little's niece, fatal.

Clem, Mrs. Conder, John, slight Coonfield, I., and wife. Cupp, Miss. Dennisch, Elmer L., and wife. Dingmore, Thomas, and wife. Deniston, Miss Ella, slight cuts.

Douglass, Miss Eva, normal student, left leg broken, chest bruised. Douglass, Frank, both arms and legs dislocated, forearm fractured. Dwyer, Mack

Douglass, Mrs. Wheeler, Douglass, Charles, and sons. Feathers, Mrs. D. D. Forbes, Mrs. French, Sterman, badly lacerated and bruised by flying missiles.

Green, Aubrey, 11 years old, jaw broken. Hamilton, Mrs. Sam, &m bruised and cut. Hamilton, Mrs. Shelton, arm bruised and

Hernon, Mrs. M. F. Hill, Mrs. P., leg broken and otherwise Hobson, Mrs. J. B.

Howell, Mrs. W. B., and child, dangerous Howell, Mrs. Dr. Infant six weeks old, fatally injured. Ingold, Oscar, and brother John T. Mahaffey's daughter.

Johnson, Mrs. N. King, Mrs. Kellogg, Hollis. Kellogg, C. Kellogg, Willis. Kirk, John B., and wife.

Kirk, J. B. Larkins, Mrs. John, badly bruised externally; will recover. Lowe, Mrs. Henry. Little, Cal, serious

Mahaffey, Mies Belle. McConigle, Daniel. Miller, T. J., and whole family injured. Miller, Mrs. O., and child. Millay, Robert

Moss, Miss, broken back, fatal. Munson, Mrs. Myers, H. E. McMinn, Becky, slight external injuries. Milay, Miss Ida, bruised about head and

face slightly. Milay, Miss Edna, child, internal injuries; Milay, Mrs. S. T., head and face bruised. O. H. Beeman's child. Oliphant, Mrs.

Oliput, Mrs. Peck, Mrs., fatal. Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Park, W. R.

Reniger, Mrs. Sarah. Romilue, Price. Romijue, M. A.

Rowe, Mrs., and daughter. Riggers, James, slight cuts and bruises. Ryan, John, aged 16, arm badly bruised. Ryan, August, aged 13, head and shoulders ushed: will:die.

Stearnes, Clarence and mother, body th, Miss Will, shoulder hurt, injuries

Sherburne, Herman K., head injured,

Shiney, M., and wife, Thomas, E Vincent, Mrs. W. H.

Vesta, Miss Effie, body bruises; will re-Waddel, Mrs., body bruises; not fatal.

Weaver, Bennie, child, injured internally. Whaley, Thomas, bruised about head and

Weaver, Mrs. Ella, both legs broken. Weaver, Stella. Weaver, Joe.

Weaver, George.

Weaver, Ella. Weaver, Miss.

White, Miss Della. Yankee, Norman, of Sedalia. The Missing.

M'Clay, Franklin, wife and daughter, Miller, Miss Cora, Brashear, Mo. Williams, Mrs.

Struck at Supper Hour.

The tornado struck the city last evening when most of the residents were at supper, cutting a clean path one mile long and 600 feet wide through the residence section and the unfortunates were consumed in the leaving death and destruction in its wake. flames that broke out soon after the storm Buildings were demolished or twisted apart had ceased. The work of rescue continues, and scattered to the four winds. A conserva-

> The wind played many pranks and there were some miraculous escapes, J. T. Coonfield and his family were cating supper when the tornado struck their home. The house was picked up and carried across a Fifteen Killed and Double that Numslough and dumped up against a hill. The building was not completely wrecked and the family escaped without anything worse than a severe shaking up. Houses on both sides of the residence of W. M. Hull were blown to splinters, but the wind was content with twisting his house off its foundation and leaving it intact. The house was in the center of the district and it was used as a hospital after the storm. P. J. Rieger, path of the storm to save his family, who were helpless with fear. Dashing into the house he carried his wife and children into the cellar. As he stumbled into the place of safety the building was leveled to the ground. He was just in time to save his loved ones and is happy, although his loss

by the cyclone amounts to \$3,000.

Among the first of the buildings wrecked was the elegant \$10,000 residence of Mrs. Mary Hensley, in the southeastern part of the city. Not a vestige of it is left. The Catholic church, a fine brick structure in the northeastern part, was unroofed and otherwise damaged. The large dwelling of Judge Andrew Ellison in the same locality was stripped of its second story. He and PANSCHOTT, MRS. BLUE, AND BABY. the cellar and were saved. The residence of RORABAUGH, MISS MARY. H. Lowell, just outside of town, was his family and John Donnegy took refuge in

twisted into a heap of ruins and three of his children buried in the debris and killed. Other large residences were lifted from their foundation and literally torn into kindling wood.

## Start Work of Rescue.

For a time the people in that portion of the town not touched by the storm were paniestricken, but as soon as they recovered their wits they immediately went to the aid of their unfortunate townsmen. Calls for nelp were sent to surrounding towns and were quickly responded to. The wounded were carried to the homes of hospitable neighbors and given immediate attention. Twenty-five doctors from Moberly, Macon sistance. The visiting doctors co-operated

caring for the wounded was expedited. without authority to go through the ruined district. Kirksville streets have been hub deep in mud ever since the first spring shower and the rain that followed the tornado has made them impassable for wagons. gathering the dead and makes the compilaion of a complete list of victims impossible for the time being. All business has been suspended and the only stores open for business are those dealing in drugs.

The scenes that met the gaze of the resmers were horrifying. An aged man and his wife had evidently been eating the evening meal when the cyclone struck and carried their home away. They had clasped each other in their arms and were found lead on the ground some distance away from where their home had been. No trace of their house has been seen. Several of the dead were found in spots which would have been the center of the house had the building not been blown to splinters. This was the case with Mrs. Panschott, who suffered a most terrible death. Her headless body, with its arms clasping her lifeless baby was discovered on the floor of the house. which was left as a raised platform in an open field. The head was as nearly severed

as if it had been done with a kuife and was about twenty feet distant. Two children had been lying on a cot in me of the destroyed houses. The house was carried away, but the floor of the first story and the foundation were left, the wind lifting the house from the sills and tumbling a long distance. The cot on which the little ones lay was lifted up with them on t and carried fully a block and a half and et down on the ground. Neither of the children was hurt. Along the raticoad track between the depot and Kellogg's crossing, a distance of half a mile, was a mass of debris. The wrecks of many homes were wattered along there and trees were filled

### with hed clothing and other household goods. Opens Information Bureau.

Mayor Noonan, assisted by a number of citizens, opened an intelligence bureau at noon. Messengers were sent through the stricken district in search of persons who were known to have resided in that section of the town. Every citizen hade it his duty to report at the bureau of information all cases of death, injured and of persons missing. In this way some little degree of order was brought out of chaos. By o'clock it was said at headquarters that the injured so far numbered seventy-four, with about a dozen cases which are sure thought. C. F. Braniger's barn, north of o result fatally. The list is not complete.

however. There are two undertakers in Kirksville and together they have had all they could do taking care of the dead. A meeting of large and valuable property, was blown citizens, at which the mayor presided, was from its foundation and almost wrecked. held this afternoon at the opera house. Committees were appointed to institute the;

Daughter of W. R. Park, slightly injured | work of clearing away the wreckage, pro viding shelter for the homeless ones and raising funds for their temporary care. There are at least 1,000 homeless persons in Kirksville tonight.

The freaks of the storm were many, but one of the strangest occurrences was the finding of a crooning baby out in a field far from any house. The child was scarcely scratched. No one has called for the baby and it has not been identified. Another baby was found where it had been bruised death by the violence of the wind. This baby also has not been identified.

Among the horrors of the storm was the finding of the curpse of a 16-year-old girl with a 2x4 scantling driven through her body. The body of a little child was found with the limb of a tree sticking through its neck. A citizen was found after the storm standing over the body of his dead wife. The head had been crushed and severed from the body.

At the call of Mayor Noonan a mass of the city, neeting was held this afternoon and an visited by the storm had been recently that fired the first gun at Manila. built up and most of the houses were new. The president made no comment on the Many had been put up with borrowed news contained in the Associated Press dishomeless, but burdened with debt, for only a very few of the buildings were insured of the navy yard tugs at 1:45 o'clock and as

ernoon, but the calamity is so overwhelm- noisy welcome to the chief executive. The However, the mayors of St. Louis, Kansas ing on the arm of Admiral Casey, com-City, Quincy, St. Joseph, Sedalia, Moberly, mandant of the League Island Navy yard. Macon and several other towns have already telegraphed offers of assistance. There is some talk of petitioning the legislature for state aid.

interments until Sunday. The telegraph office here is deluged with abound. business, as hundreds of telegrams from anxious relatives in all parts of the coun-

## NEWTOWN A MASS OF RUINS

try are being received and answered daily.

ber Injured the Record Up to the Present.

CHILLICOTHE, Mo., April 28.-Scenes of utter distress and desolation were pretured today in the little tornado-swept burg of Newtown, forty miles north on the St. Paul rallway. A day of ceaseless search among the ruins and work for the wounded and a prominent attorney, ran right into the suffering followed a night of gloom and complete list of casualties will not be

known for several days. The known decd: S. DESPER. MRS. S. DESPER. THREE DESPER CHILDREN. LABAN EVANS TWO EVANS DAUGHTERS. WILLIAM HAYS. MRS. WILLIAM HAYS. TWO HAYS CHILDREN.

Injured: Three children of William Hays,

Ella Evans. Mrs. A. J. Jones Two Jones children. Mrs. Mary Gregory Daughter of Mrs. Gregory Mrs. Pierce.

Sister of Mrs. Pierce. Mrs. Flagg. Mrs. Wilson. Mrs. Timsey Dave Stanford. Mrs. Dave Stanford. Three Stanford children Mr. McQuisten. Mrs. McQuisten. Mose Guyman

Mrs. Mose Guyman.

Mrs. Johns. The storm struck Newtown at 6:15 in the evening, coming from the southwest, and other points along the line of the Wa- came without warning and few were able to hash railroad came to Kirksville last night take advantage of their storm cellars. in response to urgent calls for medical as- Striking the eastern end of town it cut a clean swath 500 to 600 feet wide through with the local physicians and the work of the best portion of the place, sweeping everything before it. Over thirty houses Hundreds of persons visited the stricken were torn to splinters. On one street alone district today and a large number of sight- a row of ten houses was entirely demolished. seers came from neighboring towns. The Here scarcely anyone escaped death or inspecial officers would not allow any one jury. The walls of buildings fell with a crash that sounded above the roar of the storm, burying people in the ruins. Frame buildings were twisted and lifted from their foundations; others were utterly demolished, pieces of them being carried for miles This state of affairs hinders the work of Others shifted in their position, apparently unburt; one was turned squarely around,

while another was turned upside down. Samuel Desper, at the appearance of the black cloud, started with his family for a neighboring cellar, but his house was blown down over them just as he reached the front door. His two daughters were caught with him by the timbers and killed instantly. His wife was seriously injured, though she is

still alive. Mrs. William Hays was killed while running up the street in search of shelter. The mutilated trunk with the head missing was found in the street later.

Mrs. Hays' husband and two children met death within a few feet of each other. The storm lasted five minutes. When it had ended the sun came out for a few minutes and shone brightly over a scene of Women and children ran shricking ruin.

brough the streets, while men busied themselves attempting to restore order. A thunder storm followed and darkness gathered quickly. The night proved a most dismal one Numbers of citizens plied the ruins incessantly, hearing the cries of the wounded from this place or that; carrying the dead to the depot and the wounded to places of

safety. Houses of the survivors were thrown open of physicians who materially aided the New-

own rescuers. When morning broke over the scene the search was begun with renewed activity and has been kept up all day. Considerable consternation prevailed and nightfall found the searchers still at work with no knowledge of the actual number of dead and wounded. A complete list, in fact, will probably not be had for several days. Scenes of intense grief were enacted on all sides.

The storm blew down the telegraph wires and about the town and washed away the bridge over Medicine creek, a small stream south of town, and partially demolished the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul depot, stock yards and a dozen stock cars.

Many Buildings Blown Down. MARYVILLE, Mo., April 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Reports received in Maryville today indicate that the storm of last evening did more damage than was at firs town, valued at \$1,500, one of the largest

and finest in the county, was blown down and completely destroyed. C. D. Bellows barn, southwest of Maryville, also a very

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## PRESIDENT VISITS RALEIGH CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Members of the Cr w Give McKinley an Enthusiastic Sailora' Welcome.

RECEIVE THE THANKS OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Saffors Wind Up by Giving the Ship 12 marrows 76 Yell-Executive Chats with Officers and Inspects the Gun Which Opened the Historic Battle.

PHILADELPHIA, April 28.-President Mo-Kinley and his party left the Hotel Bellevue shortly after 10 o'clock this morning for a visit to the cruiser Raleigh, which lies at anchor in the Delaware river off the center

Mrs. McKinley and the other women who executive committee appointed to raise came from Washington rode in the carriages funds and take full charge of the work of with the president and the members of his The property loss is estimated at cabinet. The weather is perfect and before fully \$200,000, and it is stated that 500 per- leaving the hotel the president expressed his sons are utterly homeless. The district delight at the prospect of inspecting the ship

The president and his party boarded one

the boat moved away from the pier the crowd on the wharf set up a hearty cheer, of over \$1,000 within a short time this aft- while the boats in the vicinity whistled a ing that outside assistance will be needed, president stood in the stern of the tug, lean-In about two minutes the tug drew alongside the Raleigh and the president was greeted by Lieutenant Commander Phelps, who introduced him to Captain Coghian. No arrangements have been made for the marines stood at the guard rail on the deck burial of the dead, but there will be few and the crew were ordered to man the rall as President McKinley and his party stepped

At the same moment the gunners began firing the national salute and the blue jackets doffed their caps. Accompanied by Captain Coghlan the president proceeded the cabin of the cruiser, where he held an informal reception. He was then escorted to the lower deck, on which the sailors were lined up for inspection. Captain Coghlan introduced the men of the ship as follows: Mr. President: These are the men of the Raleigh. Part of them are from the flagship Olympia. They all served throughout the whole campaign.

President Talks to Crew.

heroes as follows: Captain Coghlan and Men of the Raleigh: despair. Fifty families are homeless, there are about fifteen killed and about thirty injured, while half the place is in ruins. A complete list of casualties will not be the great battle on the first of May at Manila, which was a most glorious triumph of American arms and made a new and glorious page in American history.

I assure you that when I give you wel-come, I am only speaking the heart's welcome of 75,000,000 American citizens who honor you all for your splendid services to This feeling not only extends to your great admiral, whom we all love and honor, but to the humblest member of the crew who was in that great fleet at Manila bay.

I give you all a warm and generous welcome and my thanks. dressed the sailors. He said:

You have heard the naval commander-in-thef and listened to the most feeling words between these ballots was spent in reviewin which the president of the United States | ing the testimony and discussing its various ous recognition, but that of the whole American people, of your distinguished services during your whole connection with the

United States navy.

The country knows on whom it may depend. The record of the United States navy is unsurpassed in the history of the world, and of that record we do not forget you are a great part, not only the officers of the deck but also, as the name has become familiarly endeared, the man behind the gun.

At the conclusion of Secretary Long's speech the sailors gave three cheers for the president and three for the secretary of the navy. This was followed by the

"Who are we?

"Can't you see? 'We are members of the new navee!

"Rah, rah, rah, Raleigh!" This amused the president very much The president then shook hands with the various officers of the cruiser and spoke a pleasant work to each. Then, with vomen of the party, the president made a tour of inspection of the war ship. He examined the big gun on the starboard side, which spoke first in the battle of Manila, and displayed much interest in all he saw. A general handshaking concluded the visit, and the presidential party returned to the tug. A flying visit was made to later the eighteenth ballot was taken, show-Cramp's shipbuilding yards, where the battleship Alabama, in course of construction, was inspected. Some surprise was expressed at 9:50 a. m., resulting in nine for not guilt at the agility displayed by Mr. McKinley is and three for manslaughter.

climbing ladders and mounting steps on the Alabama and at the wharves. discovered that the steps were very steep. Remarking that "the best way to get down is to back up," he went down backward. The party returned to the Hotel Bellevue shortly after 1 o'clock, where they partook

ted their appetites. waving of hats greeted President McKinley. Miller was one of the callers and to bim Mrs. McKinley and their party when they reached the Manhattan hotel at 5:30 tonight. The demonstration took place as the president stepped from his carriage. It came from a crowd that had been waiting for nearly an hour to see the chief executive. The party consisted of President and Mrs. McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley Secretary of the Navy John D. Long and Mrs. Long. Secretary of the Treasury Gage. Brigadier General Fred D. Grant and Mrs Grant, George B. Cortelyou, acting private secretary to the president; Captain Saxton. to the unfortunates and all possible done to Dr. P. M. Rixey, surgeon U. S. N. A num-allay the suffering. Chillicothe sent a squad ber of policemen guarded the entrance to the hotel and kept back the crowd.

# SANTA CLARA LAGS BEHIND

Civil Governor Jose Gomez Does Noth ing to Better Conditions and Quarrels with Subordinates. HAVANA, April 28 .- Advices from Santa

Mara show that that province is far behind either Santlago or Puerto Principe in the matter of administration reforms. Every old Spanish office is still in existence. The luban civil governor, Jose Maria Gomez, is semingly allowed independent sway, irropective of the army. He wears a gorgeous iniform and apends his time in showing it n public places. Gomez has had quarrels with the mayors of several cities over the matter of appointments to the ru, at and ivil guards, the mayors insisting that they hould be permitted to make appointments civil guards. Sancti Spiritus is probably the worst managed city of its size in the world. With a population of less than 10,000, New York. 000 of the inhabitants are receiving govrament rations. The entire country surunding Sancti Spiritus is probably as fine Philadelphia for Liverpool for the purpose of raising fruits, vegetables and everything required for domestic consumption as is to be found anywhere. The Liverpool.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday: Honr. Deg. Honr. 5 n. m..... 57 1 p. r G n. m..... 57 2 p. r 7 n. m..... 57 3 p. r 4 p. m..... S1 5 p. m.... S2 0 p. m.... S1 7 p. m.... 75 8 n. m..... en 9 n. m..... en 10 n. m. . . . . 73 11 n. m. . . . . . 75 S p. m..... 76 b p. m..... 66

the revenues being entirely derived from the customs receipts of the Island. This source of revenue is insufficient for th maintenance of the city government and the mayor indignantly declares that if he does not receive a larger allowance immediately he will dismiss the police force, close the schools and suspend the civil government. The condition in the city of Santa Clara s somewhat better than at Sancti Spiritus, but It is still so bad that the mayor is going to resign owing to the trouble with Governor Gomez over the matter of a pointments. No rations are now distributed at Santa Clara. Numerous truck farmers dance of vegetables. There is little local taxation and nothing is being expended for the improvement of reads.

s in command of the military forces of Santa Clara, intends making ample improvedents as far as his powers will permit. In this, however, he will be hampered by the restrictions of the government at Washingon, which desires to give the civil governor very possible chance. There are splendid ossibilities for Santa Clara province, with ts fine meadows and magnificent rivers, only requiring capital and energy to insure a magnificent future.

## JURY ACQUITS MRS. GEORGE

Crowd in the Court Room Indicates Its Approval-Defendant Thanks the Jurymen.

CANTON, O., April 28 .- The jury in the George case at 10:42 brought in a verdict of not guilty. Mrs. George entered the cour bom at 10:35. She was accompanied by her ister, Mrs. St. Clair, and Mrs. Milligan, a

cautioned the audience that there must be After passing before them with bared no demonstration. In spite of that there head, Mr. McKinley addressed the Manila were loud cheers as the clerk read the verdict of "not guilty." A score of women rushed to Mrs. George and shook her handlongratulations were also extended to he

ttorneys. Mrs. George worked her way to the jur box, took each juryman by the hand and gave them a word and a nod of thanks. Then the court said she was discharged and eleased the jury.

Mrs. George remained in the court room or some time after the verdict was an ounced, acknowledging the congratulation of her friends. She then went to the Hotel Conrad, a block from the court house is ompany with Mr. and Mrs. McElenly, her cousins, who have been with her during much of the hearing, and at 12:45 was eatinig dinner with them at the hotel. The Secretary of the Nat. Long then ad- jury was out just twenty-three house and forty-five minutes, and during that time phases. After the jury reported it was said that the first or preliminary ballot was taken at 12:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, or hal an hour after they had been closeted in the fury room. This ballot showed four jury men favoring a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree and eight jurymen favorinig a verdict of not guilty, or acquittal. As the story goes, the second ballot was taken also the result of the third ballot, taken forty-five minutes later, at 3:15 p. m. The fourth ballot was taken and the result is said to have been two for guilty in the firs degree and seven not guffty, one for second degree and two for manslaughter. At 4 p. n yesterday the fifth ballot was taken, with eight for not guilty and four for manslaughter. This was the result of all the ucceeding ballots up to the fourteenth balot, at 2 o'clock Friday morning. The fifteenth ballot was taken at 4:50 o'clock Fr day morning, resulting in nine for not guilt and three for manslaughter. The sixteenth ballot was not taken until 6:15 o'clock this morning, when the vote stood eight for no guilty, three for manslaughter and one f assault and battery. At 8:45 Friday more ing the seventeenth ballot was taken, the jury returning to the eight for not guilty and four for manslaughter. Forty minute inig ten for not guilty and two for manslaughter. The nineteenth ballot was take

At 10 a. m. the twentieth ballot was taken showing eleven for not guilty and one for As the president was about to descend first degree murder. The same result wi upper deck of the battleship he obtained in the twenty-first ballot. The twenty-second and last ballot was taken a 10:22 o'clock, with a unanimous vote the twelve men, being that of not guilty. A number of women friends and ac quaintances called on Mrs. George in the heartily of luncheon, for the trip had whetparlor of the Conrad hotel, and a number traveling men introduced themselves and NEW YORK, April 28.—Cheers and the offered their congratulations. Juryman Mrs. George expressed her warmest thanks,

saying she had known him as her staunch friend from the first. A number of congratulatory relegrams were delivered to her. To a reporter of the Associated Press, she said she would go to her old home in Hanoverton tomorrow and visit her mother, Mrs. Lucinda Ehrhart, for a few days. Then she would return to Canton to gather up her belongings and arrange for the future. As to the future she aid she had no definite plans as yet. She has been invited to go to the seaside for an extended vacation during the summer and she said she would probably accept the invitation.

Acquitted of Conspiracy.

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 28.—The trial f the famous McCormick conspiracy case, growing out of the Phoenix election and lynching in Greenwood county last No vember, ended in the federal court here to day with a verdict of not guity. The jur was composed entirely of white men. Th riots served resolutions upon James Tolbert, the republican assistant postunater at McCormick, advising him to leave and telling him they would not be responsible for his life, though they would protect him for thirty-six hours. Six bours after he left a mob rode into McCormies, to kill him.

Movements of Ocean Vessels, April 28. At New York-Arrived-Fuerst Blamarck ee Hamburg: Palatia, from Hamburg Gluden, from Amsterdam; Lucania, from Liverpool and Queenstown; St. Louis, from thampton and Cherbours Hamburg-Arrived-Phoenicia, from

At Queenstown—Arrived—Campania, from New York for Liverpool; Pennland, from At Philadelphia-Cleared-Wassland, for

# FILIPINOS ON THEIR KNEES

Delegation from General Luna Visits Otis in the Interest of Peace.

## city is doing very well as regards stores THEY ASK FOR A CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES

Want American Commander to Let Up Until Native Congress Meets.

## GENERAL OTIS IGNORES FILIPINO GOVERNMENT

Colonel Noyes of the Second cavalry, who Another Conference Will Be Held Today and it is Hoped that There Will Soon Be an End to the Fighting-Indications Are that Insurgents Are on Verge of Collapse.

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MANILA, P. I., April 28 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)—No cessation of hostilities has been consented to by General Otis. Aguinaldo has asked for an armistice to give him time to let his congress determine whether the war shall continue or not. But General Otis refuses to recognize a native government in any form. He maintains that Aguinaldo made war on his own responsibility and can make peace the same way if he wants to. The Amer-Before the verdict was read the court ican commander does not mean to give the rebel chief time to rally and recuperate his shattered forces.

Colonel Aguelles and Lieutenant Bernal of General Luna's staff came down the railroad track at Apailit this morning bearing a flag of truce. They were permitted to enter the American lines and were taken to General Wheaton's headquarters, then to General MacArthur's without being blindfolded. It is customary in war to blindfold truce bearers in order that they may not spy out the strength of their enemy, The rebel officers' first remark to General Mac-Arthur before making any specific proposition for peace was a compliment to the gallantry of our troops. Next they spoke of the horrors of blood-letting and the blessings of peace.

General MacArthur informed his visitors that he had no authority to suspend hostilities and referred them to General Otis. It was six hours before General Luna's messengers saw General Otis. Today's conference brought no result, Another will be held tomorrow. FREDERICK PALMER.

## MESSAGE FROM GENERAL OTIS.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—General Otis telegraphed the War department this morning that the commanding genat 2 p. m., and resulted the same. This was eral of the insurgents has received from the insurgent government directions to suspend hostilities pending negotiations for the termination of the war, and that insurgent staff officers are now on the way to Manila for that purpose.

The text of General Otis' dispatch follows: "MANILA, April 28 .- Adjutant General, Washington: After taking Calumpit, MacArthur's division crossed the Rio Grande river in the face of great obstacles, driving the concentrated forces of the enemy back on the railroad two miles. MacArthur reports that passage of the river was a remarkable military achievement, the success of which was due to the daring skill and determination of Colonel Funston, under the discriminating control of General Wheaton. Casualties slight, number not yet ascertained.

"This morning chief of staff from commanding general of insurgent forces entered our lines to express admiration of the wonderful feat of the American army in forcing the passage of the river, which was thought impossible. Staff officer reports that insurgent commanding general has received from insurgent government directions to suspend hostilities pending negotiations for the termination of the war. Staff officer with party is now enroute to Manila and will soon arrive. Lawton's forces well in hand in vicinity of Angat, east of Calumpit, where he is waiting supplies to be sent tomorrow. Yesterday morning force of 1,500 insurgents attacked troops at Taguig; driven back by Washington regiment. Our loss two killed, twelve wounded."

The dispatch from General Otis was immediately telegraphed to President McKinley at Philadelphia. The officials of the War department all believe that the hostilities are about concluded.

Anthorities at Washington Confident Aguinaldo is in Enruest-Praise for Volunteers.

WASHINGTON, April 28 .- The end of the Filipino insurrection is in sight, in the opinion of army and navy officials. A tele gram received from General Otts announced that Aguinaldo had taken what is regarded as the first step toward surrendering, namely, requesting a cessation of hostili-Secretary Alger said, as the department closed, that, while it could not be said that peace was assured, he regarded the fident that the end of the insurrection was near. To his mind there would be a repeition of the negotiations which were had efore Santiago. The secretary left Washagton tonight for a ten-days' trip in the west and it gave him great satisfaction to leave affairs in such promising shape. Everybody is praising the volunteers, a

marked change in the sentiment expressed a few days ago, when it was inderstood that the same men were pleading to be brought home. Colored Function came in for warding of ships, supplies and troops to the be most commendation, even the regular Philippines. Transports are about to said officers taking note with admiration of the from San Francisco and a considerable fact that his achievemen's were all strictly number of troops are under orders to prowithin the line of plans laid down for him ceed to Manila.

by his superior officer, General Wheaton. It is said at the Navy department that

END OF FIGHTING IS IN SIGHT | Philippines since peace was declared should ave a medal of honor. By the terms of their culistments they were entitled to withdraw from the service, but they had remained voluntarily, performing more than was required of them, which was more than the ordinary duty of a saltter. It is expected that tomorrow there will

be further negotiations with the insurgent representatives. While the hope is expressed hat our commission will not hold out for terms so severe as to lead to a renewal of the fighting or the withdrawal of the insurgents to another stronghold further north. is realized that Otis must exercise care to make sure they do not in bad faith take advantage of the opportunity afforded by a suspension of hostilities to secure whatever of benefit to themselves may come from the rapidly approaching rainy season. Campaigning on the part of the Americans w be almost impossible at that time. However, it is believed that Aguinaldo is now really in carnest and that his sole effort is to shift responsibility for the surrender to the Fili-

peace overtures will not bring about any change of plan in this country as to for-

Adjutant General Corbin says the Filipins

General Corbin said that every volunteer the developments of the day make it imwho participated in the fighting in the probable that the lows will be sent to